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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 17 July 1969

DD/I pointed to a recently completed, distributed memorandum by Bruce Clarke on Soviet and ChiCom forces arrayed along their common border. The Director asked that the memorandum be flagged for Bill Hyland's attention.

*Godfrey briefed on the "soccer war." The Director said he had read the special memorandum on this subject which was provided to the White House on 14 July and asked that a "Well Done" be passed to its author.

The Director noted the volume of cables in on the deteriorating situation in Laos, and Carver and the ADD/P commented on the vulnerabilities of the present situation.

D/ONE and briefed on possible problems which might be encountered in today's USIB meeting.

DD/S reported on the loss of a helicopter in Laos and on the deaths of two Air America personnel and one local passenger.

Carver reported that he will be seeing Secretary Laird this afternoon.

Maury reported Jav Sourwine's interest in having appear before the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security. The Director approved.

Maury briefed on his conversation yesterday with Congressman Culver.

Maury reported that the briefing of Senator Jackson went well and that Senators Dominick and Tower were present. Senator Jackson asked for a fact sheet, which Maury explained will include a brief

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description of the pattern of deployment of Soviet missiles. After some discussion the Director approved of providing the fact sheet provided it is in the form of a blind memorandum.

Bross reported that he had lunch with Gardiner Tucker, the ADD/I, and Bruce Clarke to discuss the verification problem. During the course of the lunch it became clear that Mr. Tucker is handling this matter personally for Secretary Laird.

DD/S&T recalled his meeting with Paul Nitze on 25 June (see Morning Meeting Minutes of 26 June 1969) and reported he has since confirmed that Mr. Nitze's interest at the time was in the SALT problem and was not related to any problem concerning the Memorandum to Holders of NIE 11-8.	
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ADD/P reported that C/FE and Marshall Green are meeting today to discuss what matters pertaining to Indonesia should be brought to the President's attention in advance of his trip there.	
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Executive Director pointed to the Civil Service Commission announcement that Monday will be a holiday. After some discussion it was decided that 21 July will be treated as a Saturday.

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*Extracted and sent to action officer